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G.O., 5/11/1895, No. 28034

Sailors Quarters at
Cuddapah,

Re proposed transfer
of the — to the Police
Dept., sanctioned

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CURRENT No.

From

The Judicial Dept.

No. 2591

Dated 31.10.95

Received 1. 11. 95—

ENCLOS.

SUBJECT.

Transfer of the Jailor's
quarters at Cuddapah
to the Police Department.

Remarking on letter from
the Inspr. Gen. of Police
that the Judl. Dept. has
no objection to the
proposed —

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FROM 80987 D 11.5.95

M. HAMMICK, Esq., I.C.S.,
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,
Madras,

TO
THE Chief Secretary
to Government,
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No. 5201

Dated 10 } October 1895.
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Requesting that the jailor's house at Fuddapat may be handed over to the Police Dept for use by the Reserve Inspector there.

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Enclosure 22591.

Transferred to the Public Works Dept with the remark that the Jail Dept has no objection to the proposed transfer of the jailor's quarters at Fuddapat to the Police Department.

25/10/95
Done (Signature)
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At. Under Secretary

For. Sh. George
21st October 1895

29/10/95
To the Public Works Dept.

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DEPARTMENT.

No. 5201.

CHIEF OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,

MADRAS, 10 October 1895.

FROM

M. HAMMICK, Esq., I.C.S.,

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Madras,

To

THE

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Enclosures.

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2. I noticed the point on my recent inspection of Cuddapah and I am told by the Inspector-General of Prisons that he will have no objection to the transfer recommended.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt. servt.

H. Cunn

as Assistant Inspr General of Police
 for Inspector General of Police.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
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G.O. No. 2803 W., 5th Nov. 1895.

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Jailor's Quarters at Cuddapah

The proposed transfer of the — to the
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No. 2803 W., 5TH NOVEMBER 1895.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

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FORT ST. GEORGE,
31st October 1895.

(Signed) L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Under Secretary.

ORDER—No. 2803 W., dated 5th November 1895.

The proposed transfer of the building is sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, III Circle.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ Judicial Department.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.
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P. W. CURRENT No. 3998

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No. 1276 W of 28 May 1895

Communicated to the
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from the S.E. of Prisons.

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of the drainage scheme and the Collector will be authorized to entertain a small establishment to look after the buildings and keep them in such order as to permit of their immediate use in case of necessity.

4. The Government is not aware what subsidiary ~~accommodation~~ jail accommodation there is in Cuddapah, but, if it is not sufficient to accommodate prisoners sentenced to periods of imprisonment not exceeding one month, arrangement should be made for retaining in use a portion of the District Jail. Such short sentence men might probably be advantageously employed in cutting surface drains in the compound of the Collector's cutcherry which is reported to be frequently under water.

5. In future prisoners sentenced to periods of imprisonment exceeding one month should be sent to Vellore, Bellary or Nellore according to the place ~~to the place~~ at which they are sentenced, and with reference to the accommodation available in these jails.

/True Extract/

Donald Davidson

Ag. Under Secretary,
for Chief Secretary.

To

The Public Works Department.
.. Inspector General of Prisons with medical journal
.. Collector & District Magistrate Cuddapah.

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OFFICE OF THE
CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF
MADRAS
11/11/1905
No. 100
The Government is not prepared to accept Mr. Cuthbert's contention that the jail accommodation of the Presidency would be adequate, if the Cuddapah District Jail were abolished. His argument is mainly based on statistics showing the average jail population, whereas it is necessary to provide accommodation for the maximum population. Moreover, apart from this consideration, even if the new building were to be built, it is not sufficient for the conversion of existing jail buildings into a hospital, as it is necessary to provide a separate scheme for such a purpose. It is suggested, however, that the pressure on jail accommodation is not so heavy as the many claims of the Cuddapah District Jail in the Presidency. It is not possible to present a detailed estimate of the extent of the most unhealthy localities in the Madras Presidency and it is evident that to render the jail buildings habitable a considerable expenditure would be incurred at once. If the drainage scheme which is about to be introduced is effected, a material improvement in the health of Cuddapah will be possible to retain the jail, but, if on the other hand the drainage scheme proves a failure, any expenditure on the jail buildings which might be sanctioned now, would be money thrown away. For these reasons the Government resolves temporarily to close the jail. The Public Works Department will be requested to meet the expenses for an ink up and for the buildings pending the completion of the drainage scheme.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers-

From the Inspector General of Prisons d/ 3rd January and 12th February 1895 Nos. 38 and 958 respectively.

order d/ 11th May 1895 No. 987.

The Government is not prepared to accept Mr. Cardew's contention that the jail accommodation of the Presidency would be adequate, if the Cuddapah District Jail were abolished. His argument is mainly based on statistics showing the average jail population, whereas it is necessary to provide accommodation for the maximum population. Moreover, apart from this consideration, endeavours are now being made to devise satisfactory schemes for converting existing jail buildings into blocks of cubicles, and it is hardly possible that any such scheme can be drawn up which will not involve a great loss of accommodation.

2. It appears however that the pressure on jail accommodation is not now heavy and the temporary closure of the Cuddapah District Jail is thus practicable. Cuddapah is at present ~~one of the most~~ undoubtedly one of the most unhealthy localities in the Madras Presidency and it is evident that to render the jail buildings habitable a considerable expenditure must be incurred at once. If the drainage scheme which is about to be introduced effects a material improvement in the health of Cuddapah, it will be possible to retain the jail, but if on the other hand the drainage scheme proves a failure, any expenditure on the jail buildings which might be sanctioned now, would be money thrown away.

3. For these reasons the Government resolves temporarily to close the jail. The Public Works Department will be requested to make arrangements for shoring up shaky portions of the buildings pending the outcome of

huts stand should be taken up and should be utilized for the provision of Wardens' Lines, which, under the orders of the Government of India contained in Home Department Resolution No: 10 (fairs)-610-623 d/ 9th November 1892 must be provided. Sanction to the Revenue Authorities to take action in the matter of acquiring this land is solicited, and the Wardens' huts will be built in accordance with the scale laid down by Government in G.O. 6th October 1894 No: 2446 under which the cost of providing 17 huts, 2 for Head wardens and 15 for wardens will be Rs 3750. The Superintendent also states that the compound of the collector's Kachchuri just outside is frequently under water after heavy rains and as this is only separated from the jail sleeping barracks by a footpath and the main wall, the effects on the health of the Prisoners who have to sleep in the barracks is very unfavourable. It is of importance that steps should be taken to have this compound properly drained before the next rains.

7. A number of other minor recommendations have been submitted by Dr Fearnside as the result of his experience of the jail during the last nine months and will be attended to departmentally. The works for which sanction is now requested are those which cannot be carried out without the intervention of the Public Works Department and are, as has been above shown absolutely necessary for the safety and health of the prisoners, if the jail is to continue to exist.

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to the bad smell which arises, however carefully sanitary measures are carried out. The Hospital lies low and the bad effects on patients under treatment there have been so marked that cases have been treated in other wards. It is recommended -

(1) that the flooring of this building be raised 2 feet and made thoroughly impervious.

(2) that ridge ventilators be provided as well as additional wall ventilation in the back-wall, these wall ventilators to be of iron-bars with wooden shutters on the outside.

(3) that wooden shutters be provided in front of the Hospital in place of the existing panelling.

(4) that a night-latine separate from the Hospital - though connected with it by a passage - be provided in place of the present night-latine, which is in the Hospital and which experience shows cannot be kept free from smell whatever is done.

Estimates from the Public Works Department for these works will be required.

6. Surgeon Captain Fearnside further draws attention "to the extremely filthy condition of the houses just outside the jail to the north-west and west." This, he states, is the Shobies' quarter, and the condition of their huts and of the surrounding ground is stated to be disgraceful. Many of the huts to the west are broken down and are used as open latrines. The Superintendent considers that the land on which these huts

(2) that the drain in front of No. III to and be raised at the west end, so as to provide a proper fall, as the water at present goes the wrong way and stagnates.

(3) that the main-drain which carries off the water of the Kitchen &c. be dealt with either by a flushing board as proposed by the Sanitary Commissioners or on what is called the interception system. It would, I think, be preferable to open the drain which is at present carried along underground, and convert it into a regular oval surface drain.

(4) a pucca drain round the Kitchen to carry off the washings of the Kitchen with some sort of platform for washing cooking pots and frames is, as stated by Dr Fearnside, absolutely necessary.

5. The raising of the floors of the Blocks, which is referred to in para. 4 of the Executive Engineer's letter, would involve the raising of the walls and roofs also, as the buildings are so low, and the expense would be so great that I hesitate to propose it. But there is an urgent necessity for improving the Hospital. Regarding this, Surgeon Major General Sibthorpe writes: - "The Hospital building is very badly adapted for the purpose, badly lit and badly ventilated. There was a dreadful hospital smell in it this morning at 8 A.M. though there were only 11 patients and the full is 14". Surgeon Captain Fearnside reports that at present he finds it inadvisable to treat serious cases in the Hospital owing

that the Executive Engineer considers ^{the} present Civil Debtors' Ward to be unsafe. This ward consists of a miserable shed, apparently a survival of some part of the Mahal buildings, without enclosure, kitchen or latrine, standing in the middle of the Jail Enclosure, so that the provisions of the law which require the separation of Civil prisoners from Convicts cannot be observed. Its removal is absolutely essential, as it is in a dangerous and tumbledown condition and if Civil Debtors are to continue to be confined at the Kuddapah District Jail, the provision of a proper Civil Debtors' yard, with out-houses at an approximate cost of Rs 3500 is necessary. Sanction for the preparation, in the Public Works Department, of plans and estimates for these works is required.

4. The Executive Engineer further refers to the question of drainage. I agree with him that the suggested provision of sub-soil drains should not be considered at present, but it is of the first importance that the system of surface-drains shall be made efficient. On this point the Surgeon General, the Sanitary Commissioner and the Superintendent are in agreement. Surgeon Captain Fearnside recommends:—

(1) that the ground around the wards be sloped away from the wards and towards the drains and that the Kankasand be put down and well beaten in. This can probably be done departmentally.

subject that I have now the honour to address Government.

2. I enclose a copy of a report No. ²³⁰⁹/_m of 21st December 1894 which has been furnished by the Executive Engineer of the Kuddapah Division, regarding certain works necessary in the Jail. From this it will be observed that the Executive Engineer condemns both the workshop adjoining the main wall and ^{the} weaving shed adjoining the Quarantine Block as unsafe. Both these are buildings which formed part of the old Mahal. Their walls are of great height, the span of the roofs is so large as to present great difficulties in roofing, and they are ill-placed and ill-suited for use as jail buildings. At the same time they are the only work-sheds of any kind in the Jail, and it is absolutely necessary that at least one proper work-shed should be built in their place. Sanction is, therefore, requested to the removal of these buildings and to the preparation in the Public Works Department, of plans and estimates for the construction of a fresh workshop, the approximate cost of which will be Rs 3500. There is also at present no place for preparing the raggi puddings, as the room adjoining the kitchen is used by the Raggi-grinders. A fresh room for the latter must be provided, and can be built in continuation of or with relation to the workshop.

3. In the second place, it will be observed that

Copy.
Letter from the Inspector General of Prisons
of 3^d January 1895 No: 38.

In my letter No: 3539 of 25th June 1894, I submitted to His Excellency the Governor in Council, proposals for the closing of the Cuddalore District Jail and in its order No: 2211 of 11th September 1894 these proposals were negatived by Government. It is not with the object of asking for a reconsideration of that order that the Government is now addressed though I ought to state that the reasons assigned for the decision have not led me to alter my opinion that the Cuddalore District Jail should be closed. In the year 1893, which was one of abnormally high prices and jail population, the jail accommodation was still 25 per cent in excess of the daily average number of prisoners of all classes. The connection between the abolition of the Cuddalore or other District Jail and the construction of permanent buildings for the Cuddalore District Jail (which was adverted to in G.O. dated 8th December 1891, No: 2499 as well as in that of the 11th September 1894 No: 224) has never been apparent to me, as the new jail at Morant Capper will not increase the jail accommodation of the Presidency by any appreciable extent. If, however, the Cuddalore District Jail is to be maintained, it is necessary that certain urgent improvements in it shall be carried out and that it be put into such order as will reduce the disadvantages of its position so far.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1895} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 11th.

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Encl.

G.O. No. 2507 W., 11th Oct. 1895.

OCTOBER.

Original with
encl. 9219. Sent to
S.A. on 23/10/95

"Principal Sudder Amin's
Court" at Rajahmundry

Directing that the building known as —
must remain on the books of the Public
Works Department and that rent must be
recovered under Public Works rules.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers :—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 5th September 1895, Mis. No. 1298, Forest.

Read—the following letter from V. A. BRODIE, Esq., Collector of Górávari, No. 383, dated 9th August 1895 :—

I have the honour to state that the old "Principal Sudder Amin's Court" at Rajahmundry was handed over by the Public Works Department to the Forest Department last October, in accordance with the sanction conveyed in G.O. No. 2007 W., dated 14th August 1894.

2. From that time the house has been occupied by Mr. McLaughlin as dwelling and office, and he has been charged rent at the rates in force for Forest buildings published in Board's Proceedings, dated 22nd May 1894, No. 329.

3. The Superintending Engineer, I Circle, now calls upon the District Forest-officer to pay rent for this building to the Public Works Department on the ground that it is a Public Works Department building and is occupied as a dwelling house.

4. I am of opinion that the building should have been struck off the list of Public Works Department buildings altogether, when it was handed over to the Forest Department, and request that you will be good enough to obtain the orders of Government on the matter. Meanwhile, I have directed the District Forest-officer to pay the rent demanded under protest.

Endorsement of the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, No. 165, dated 11th August 1895.

Forwarded. The District Forest-officer is not empowered to pay rent.

Resolution—dated 5th September 1895, Mis. No. 1298, Forest.

It is not clear from paragraph 2 of the Collector's letter whether the rent collected from the Ranger was calculated under the ordinary rules or under those specially sanctioned for Forest buildings in G.O. No. 304, dated 4th May 1894. The Collector is therefore requested to report the amount of monthly rent paid by the Ranger for the portion of the building occupied by him for his residence and how the same was calculated. The amount of rent demanded by the Public Works Department should also be stated.

2. The claim preferred by the Superintending Engineer for the recovery of the rent by his department and the question of removing the building from the list of the Public Works Department buildings referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Collector's letter will be submitted for the orders of Government.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) L. M. WYNCH,
Secretary.

No. 1475 R., Revenue.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

OOTACAMUND,
14th September 1895.

(Signed) W. B. AYLING,
Ag. Asst. Secretary to Govt.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, No. 3447 D./A., dated 3rd October 1895.

The building was apparently handed over to the Forest Department for official purposes and not for a residence, and as it was partly occupied by a Forest Ranger as a residence, he is liable to pay rent according to the rules in Public Works Department Code, I, X, 26. The Executive Engineer was therefore asked to take steps to recover the rent and credit the same to Public Works Department. The rent of all buildings is accounted for in the Public Works books to be included in the annual Capital and Revenue accounts of Government buildings let or available for rent as residences.

ORDER—No. 2507 W., dated 11th October 1895.

In the circumstances stated by the Examiner, the building must remain on the books of the Public Works Department and rent must be recovered under Public Works rules.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, I Circle.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Revenue Department.

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